

House Study Bill 40 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON HEIN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act allowing counties to collect a fee for the issuance
2 and renewal of driver's licenses and nonoperator's
3 identification cards to persons who reside outside the
4 county.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321M.9, subsection 1, Code 2021, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. *Fees to counties.*

4 a. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Code to the
5 contrary, the county treasurer of a county authorized to issue
6 driver's licenses under *this chapter* shall retain for deposit
7 in the county general fund seven dollars of fees received for
8 each issuance or renewal of driver's licenses and nonoperator's
9 identification cards, but shall not retain any moneys for
10 the issuance of any persons with disabilities identification
11 devices. The five dollar processing fee charged by a county
12 treasurer for collection of a civil penalty under section
13 321J.17 shall be retained for deposit in the county general
14 fund. The county treasurer shall remit the balance of fees and
15 all civil penalties to the department.

16 b. A county authorized to issue driver's licenses under
17 this chapter may charge, in addition to any other fee imposed
18 by law, a convenience fee for the issuance or renewal of a
19 driver's license or nonoperator's identification card to a
20 person who is not a resident of the county, unless that person
21 pays property tax to the county and provides proof of payment
22 such as a receipt as provided in section 445.5, subsection 6,
23 or another form of proof as determined by the county. The
24 convenience fee shall not exceed ten dollars. The county
25 treasurer shall retain for deposit in the county general fund
26 the amount of the convenience fee collected.

27 EXPLANATION

28 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
29 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

30 Current law authorizes certain counties to issue driver's
31 licenses and nonoperator's identification cards if the county
32 meets standards set by the department of transportation. A
33 county retains for deposit in the county general fund \$7
34 of fees received for each issuance or renewal of driver's
35 licenses and nonoperator's identification cards. This

1 bill allows a county authorized to issue driver's licenses
2 to charge a convenience fee, not to exceed \$10, for the
3 issuance or renewal of a driver's license or nonoperator's
4 identification card to a person who is not a resident of the
5 county. However, the county cannot charge the convenience fee
6 to a nonresident person who pays property tax to the county if
7 the person provides proof that they paid property tax, such as
8 a receipt from the county treasurer or another form of proof
9 as determined by the county. The county treasurer retains the
10 entire convenience fee collected for deposit in the county
11 general fund.